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from Enforced Disappearance**

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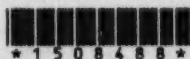
Election, in accordance with article 26, paragraph 4, of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, of five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 30 June 2015

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Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with article 26 of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, the third meeting of the States parties to the Convention is to be held at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 23 June 2015, for the purpose of electing five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances from a list of persons nominated by States parties from among their nationals (sect. II) to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 30 June 2015 (sect. I). Five members will continue to serve on the Committee until 30 June 2017 (sect. III).
2. In compliance with paragraph 12 of General Assembly resolution 68/268, the present note contains information on the current situation with respect to the composition of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances, reflecting the balance in terms of geographical distribution and gender representation, professional background and different legal systems, as well as the tenure of current members (sects. I and II). The biographical data of current members can be found on the web page of the Committee (www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CED/Pages/Membership.aspx).
3. In paragraph 13 of its resolution 68/268, the General Assembly encouraged States parties, in the election of treaty body experts, to give due consideration, as stipulated in the relevant human rights instruments, to equitable geographical distribution, the representation of the different forms of civilization and the principal legal systems, balanced gender representation and the participation of experts with disabilities in the membership of the human rights treaty bodies.

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I. Members of the Committee whose terms expire on 30 June 2015

<i>Member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Mr. Mamadou Badio Camara	Senegal	2011
Mr. Emmanuel Decaux	France	2011
Mr. Alvaro Garcé García y Santos	Uruguay	2011
Mr. Rainer Huhle	Germany	2011
Ms. Suela Janina	Albania	2011

II. Persons nominated by States parties

4. In accordance with article 26 (3) of the Convention, the Secretary-General, in a note verbale dated 14 November 2014, invited the States parties to submit their nominations for the election of five members of the Committee within three months. All curricula vitae received by 23 February 2015 are included in the present document (see annex). Addenda to the present note will be issued for nominations received after that date.

5. Listed below, in alphabetical order, are the names of the persons nominated for election to the Committee, and the States parties that nominated them.

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Nominated by</i>
Mr. Mamadou Badio Camara	Senegal
Mr. Emmanuel Decaux	France
Mr. Daniel Figallo Rivadeneyra	Peru
Ms. María Clara Galvis Patiño	Colombia
Mr. Roberto Garretón	Chile
Mr. Rainer Huhle	Germany
Ms. Suela Janina	Albania
Mr. Leo José Rodrigo Valladares Lanza	Honduras
Mr. Fortuné Gaétan Zongo	Burkina Faso

III. Members of the Committee whose terms expire on 30 June 2017

<i>Member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Mr. Mohammed Al-Obaidi	Iraq	2011
Mr. Santiago Corcuera Cabezut	Mexico	2013
Mr. Luciano Hazan	Argentina	2011
Mr. Juan José López Ortega	Spain	2011
Mr. Kimio Yakushiji	Japan	2011

Annex*

Mamadou Badio Camara (Senegal)

[Original: French]

Date and place of birth: 9 April 1952, Dakar, Senegal

Working language: French

Current position

Profession: Judge

Current duties: President of the Criminal Chamber of the Supreme Court and Secretary-General of the Supreme Court

Main professional activities

As President of the Criminal Chamber, investigating and trying criminal cases that have been ruled on by courts of appeal and then appealed in cassation

As Secretary-General, participation in administrative and managerial tasks relating to the Supreme Court, under the delegated authority of the First President of the Supreme Court

Educational background

1977, *brevet* (diploma), National School of Administration and Judicial Studies of Senegal

1975, *licence* in private law, Law Faculty of the University of Dakar, with a specialization in judicial studies

1971, diploma, Van Vollenhoven Secondary School, Dakar

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Missions to Guinea-Bissau and Niger to train criminal investigation officers and prison staff on human rights topics, on behalf of the Senegalese Human Rights Committee

Member of the United Nations fact-finding mission on the situation of political prisoners in Burundi in 2001

Expert of the International Organization of la Francophonie for missions to support the criminal justice system in Haiti (2007 and 2008)

Most recent publications in the field

"La justice, l'ordre public et les libertés individuelles" (Justice, public order and individual freedoms) (speech delivered on the occasion of the return of the courts and tribunals from recess, 31 January 2001)

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

Emmanuel Decaux (France)

[Original: French]

Date and place of birth: 9 December 1947, Neuilly-sur-Seine, France**Working languages:** French and English**Current positions**

Chairperson of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (2012–2015)

Vice-Chairperson of the twenty-sixth meeting of chairpersons of the human rights treaty bodies (2014)

Main professional activities

Professor of public law at Panthéon-Assas University (University of Paris II) (since 1999)

Director of the Graduate School of International Law, European Law, International Relations and Comparative Law (since 2012)

Director of the Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Research Centre, Panthéon-Assas University (University of Paris II) (2003–2014)

Former professor at the University of Paris X Nanterre, the Paris Institute for Political Studies, the Hague Academy for International Law, the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights and others

Educational background*Diplôme*, Paris Institute for Political Studies

Doctorate in public law, Panthéon-Assas University (University of Paris II) (thesis on reciprocity in international law, defended in 1978)

Aggrégation (certification) to teach public law**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

Member of the Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights (2002–2006), rapporteur of the Subcommission (2002), rapporteur on the administration of justice by military tribunals (2002–2005) and special rapporteur on the universal application of international human rights treaties (2003–2006), member of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery and others

Member of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee (2008–2011), rapporteur of the Advisory Committee (2008), rapporteur of the drafting group for the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training

Member of the working group on communications (2004–2011)

Member of the National Consultative Commission on Human Rights of France (CNCDH), president of the subcommittee on international and European issues (since 2012), former vice-president of CNCDH (2009–2012)

Most recent publications in the field*Droit international public* (International public law) (with Olivier de Frouville), 9th ed., Dalloz, Paris, 2014*Droit international pénal* (International criminal law) (with Hervé Ascensio and Alain Pellet, ed.), 2nd ed., Pedone, Paris, 2012

Le Pacte international relatif aux droits civils et politiques (International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights) (ed.), Economica, Paris, 2010

La Convention pour la protection de toutes les personnes contre les disparitions forcées (International Convention for the Protection of all Persons from Enforced Disappearance) (with Olivier de Frouville, ed.), Bruylant, Brussels, 2009

Les formes contemporaines de l'esclavage (Contemporary forms of slavery), collected courses of the Hague Academy of International Law, Nijhoff, Dordrecht, 2008

Daniel Figallo Rivadeneyra (Peru)

[Original: Spanish]

Date and place of birth: 12 June 1961, Lima, Peru**Working languages:** Spanish and English**Current position**

Partner at the Benites, Forno & Ugaz law firm

Main professional activities**2015 February:** Minister of Justice and Human Rights (15 May 2013–17 February 2015)**2012 July:** Deputy Minister of Justice (31 July 2012–15 May 2013)**2012 February:** Deputy Minister of Human Rights and Access to Justice (23 February–31 July 2012)**2011:** Partner at the Benites, Forno & Ugaz law firm; consultant at the Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic**2010:** National Director of Justice, Ministry of Justice**2010:** President of the State Judicial Defence Council, Ministry of Justice**Educational background****2004–2006:** Master's-level studies in law with a specialization in constitutional law, Graduate School of the Pontifical Catholic University of Peru**1999:** *Título de abogado* in law and political science, San Martín de Porres University**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned****2010:** President of the Commission on the Extradition and Transfer of Sentenced Persons, Ministry of Justice**2010:** Member of the Commission on Presidential Pardons, Ministry of Justice**2010:** Representative of the Ministry of Justice on the intersectoral commission entrusted with examining and preparing the position of Peru on draft treaties to be signed with other States on aspects of international criminal law concerning extradition, cooperation in the area of criminal justice and the transfer of sentenced persons**2009–2010:** Coordinator of the Council of Advisers for habeas corpus**2009:** Member of the Legal Advisory Commission

María Clara Galvis Patiño (Colombia)

[Original: Spanish]

Date and place of birth: 20 June 1967, Bogotá, Colombia**Working languages:** Spanish and English**Current positions**

Auxiliary Judge assisting Judge Néstor Osuna of the Jurisdictional Disciplinary Division of the High Council of the Judiciary of Colombia

Professor in the area of international human rights protection systems (inter-American and universal systems), for the specialization in human rights and the master's programme in public law at Externado University of Colombia

Main professional activities

High Council of the Judiciary: examination of cases and drafting of decisions on such matters as delineation of the jurisdictions of ordinary criminal courts and military criminal courts

Due Process of Law Foundation: investigations dealing with serious human rights violations (enforced disappearance, torture, extrajudicial executions)

Centre for Justice and International Law: litigation of cases of serious human rights violations in the inter-American system (enforced disappearance, torture, extrajudicial executions, sexual violence)

Educational background

Post-graduate studies in comparative constitutional law, University of Genoa (1992–1993)

Law degree, Externado University of Colombia (1990)

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Design and planning of the project of the Due Process of Law Foundation for the evaluation of compliance with international standards concerning victims' rights in criminal proceedings in Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Guatemala, El Salvador, Peru and Uruguay

Academic editor for the publications of the Due Process of Law Foundation

Adviser at the Office of the Attorney General of Colombia on the application of international standards for the investigation of serious human rights violations

Co-organizer (thematic agenda) of the Fifteenth Constitutional Law Symposium of Externado University of Colombia, on the internationalization of constitutional law

Member of the editorial committee of the compilation *Debates Democráticos*, Rosario University

Visiting professor of law at the master's programme of the Catholic University of Peru

Most recent publications in the field

Digesto de jurisprudencia latinoamericana sobre crímenes de derecho internacional (Digest of Latin American jurisprudence regarding crimes under international law), vol. II (academic editor), Due Process of Law Foundation, Washington, D.C., July 2013

La Procuraduría General de la Nación y los casos ante el sistema interamericano de protección de derechos humanos (The Office of the Attorney General and cases before the

inter-American system for the protection of human rights), USAID/PGN, Bogotá, December 2011

"La debida diligencia judicial en la investigación de la violencia basada en género" (Judicial due diligence in the investigation of gender-based violence), in *Visibilizar la violencia de género: sistematización de la experiencia en género* (Making gender-based violence visible: a compilation of experience with the gender perspective), Profis (comp.), German Agency for International Cooperation/Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Bogotá, November 2011

"La obligación estatal de prevenir las conductas de particulares contrarias al derecho internacional" (The State's obligation to prevent the violation by individuals of international law), in *Aportes*, a journal of the Due Process of Law Foundation, No. 15, year 4, September 2011

"Reflection on the role of the victims during transitional justice processes in Latin America", with Katya Salazar, in *Politorbis*, a foreign policy journal of the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, No. 50, 3/2010, pp. 111-121

"Las víctimas y la justicia transicional: ¿Están cumpliendo los Estados Latinoamericanos con los estándares internacionales?" (Victims and transitional justice: Are Latin American States complying with international standards?) (author of the regional overview and general editor), Due Process of Law Foundation, Washington, D.C., August 2010

Guía práctica de pruebas para las investigaciones disciplinarias por graves violaciones de los derechos humanos e infracciones del derecho internacional humanitario (Practical guide to evidence in disciplinary investigations of serious violations of human rights and international humanitarian law), USAID/PGN/Institute of Studies of the Public Legal Service, Bogotá, July 2010

"El rol de las víctimas en los procesos de justicia transicional en América Latina" (The role of victims in transitional justice processes in Latin America), in *Aportes*, a journal of the Due Process of Law Foundation, No. 13, year 3, June 2010

Roberto Garretón (Chile)

[Original: Spanish]

Date and place of birth: 21 December 1941, Santiago, Chile

Working languages: Spanish (mother tongue) and French

Current positions

Member of the council of the National Human Rights Institute, nominated by the Chamber of Deputies of Chile (2010–2016)

Member of the International Commission of Jurists, headquartered in Geneva (since 2008)

Main professional activities

Member of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention (1991–2000; 2008–2014)

Special Adviser to the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the Prevention of Genocide (2006)

Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, appointed by Mary Robinson (2001–2005)

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Zaire, now the Democratic Republic of the Congo (1994–2001)

Director of the Chilean Bar Association (1987–1991; 1991–1995; 2000–2001)

Ambassador to international human rights organizations (1990–1994)

Vice-chairperson of the World Conference on Human Rights (Vienna, 1993)

Chief Attorney in the legal branch of the Committee for Cooperation for Peace and later at Vicaría de la Solidaridad, the main institution for the defence of human rights during the military dictatorship in Chile (1974–1990)

Educational background

Licenciatura in law, University of Chile (1961–1967)

Título profesional de abogado (certified to practise law by the Supreme Court of Chile) (1967)

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Human rights missions to Colombia, Peru, Paraguay, Uruguay, Indonesia (including East Timor, during the occupation), Mexico, El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Brazil, Argentina, Senegal, Rwanda, Uganda, Zaire (now the Democratic Republic of the Congo), Ethiopia, the Philippines, Sierra Leone, Chad, Togo, Malaysia, Thailand, Georgia, Italy, Morocco, Tunisia, Libya

Lectured in courses organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, the United Nations Mission in Guatemala, the International Service for Human Rights (Geneva), the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, the Political Science Institute of the University of Chile, the Andean Commission of Jurists, the Centre for Legal and Social Studies of Argentina, the European University of Madrid and the Law Faculty of the National Distance Education University of Madrid

Most recent publications in the field

Por la fuerza sin la razón: análisis de los bandos militares de la junta militar de Chile (By force without reason: analysis of the military decrees of the Chilean military junta), Manuel Antonio Garretón, Carmen Garretón and Roberto Garretón (Editorial LOM, 1998)

La democracia incompleta en Chile: la realidad tras los rankings internacionales (Incomplete democracy in Chile: reality based on international rankings), Manuel Antonio Garretón and Roberto Garretón, in *Revista de Ciencia Política*, Santiago, vol. 30, No. 1/2010, pp. 115-148

Rainer Huhle (Germany)

Date and place of birth: 27 February 1946, Regensburg, Germany

Working languages: German (mother tongue), Spanish (fluent in reading, speaking and writing), English (fluent in reading, speaking and writing), French (fluent in reading)

Current position

Retired (March 2011) from employment with City Council of Nuremberg/Germany (department of Human Rights Education)

Deputy Chairman of the Board of Trustees at German Institute for Human Rights

Member of Board of Directors of Nuremberg Human Rights Centre (NMRZ)

Main professional activities

City of Nuremberg: Researcher and developer of Human Rights Education Program (since 1990)

OHCHR: Founding expert team member of OHCHR office in Colombia (1997–1999)

Servicio Paz y Justicia/German Protestant Churches Development Service: Human Rights Expert in Peru, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile (1986–1988)

Numerous freelance activities in the field of human rights expertise, programme evaluation and research

Educational background

PhD in Political Science at University of Erlangen/Nuremberg (1978)

Studies in Political Science, Sociology, Romanistic and American Studies at Universities of Erlangen/Nuremberg, Vienna and Amherst College (Massachusetts)

Other relevant activities

Founding member (1989) and presently still Board member of Nuremberg Human Rights Centre; co-editor of the Centre's website www.menschenrechte.org

Member of editorial council of "Deutsche Zeitschrift für Menschenrechte" (German Human Rights Review)

Recent publications

(Ed.) Human Rights and History – A Challenge for Education, Berlin 2010

"Coming to Terms with 'Crimes Against Humanity': Nuremberg and Beyond", in: Rainer Huhle (ed.): Human Rights and History – A Challenge for Education, Berlin 2010, pp. 62–81

"Die politische Sprengkraft des Unpolitischen. Die Menschenrechtsbewegung verändert das politische Gesicht Lateinamerikas", in: Jürgen Mittag/Georg Ismar (Hrsg.): Soziale Bewegungen und politischer Protest in der Geschichte Lateinamerikas, Münster 2009, pp. 405–432

"Wie weit geht die Meinungsfreiheit? Ein Rückblick aus Anlass des 60-jährigen Bestehens der Allgemeinen Erklärung der Menschenrechte", in: *zfmr* 2/2008, pp. 132–145 (2009)

"América Latina y la fundamentación del sistema internacional de protección de los derechos humanos después de la segunda guerra mundial", in: Memoria. Revista del Centro de Derechos Humanos de la Pontificia Universidad Católica, Lima, No. 4, 2008, S. 33–43

(Ed.): From Nuremberg to The Hague, booklet and itinerary exposition on behalf of the German Ministry of Foreign Relations, Nuremberg 2007

Suela Janina (Albania)

Date and place of birth: 28 June 1976, Tirana, Albania

Working languages: English

Current position/function

Legal expert at International Law Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Albania

Diplomatic rank: First Secretary

Lecturer of International Public Law, Faculty of Law, Tirana

Main professional activities

Organizes the activities of the MFA in the field of public international law

Carries out research and prepares comparative analyses and studies on specific aspects of public international law

Prepares State party reports of the Republic of Albania for the international conventions

Teaches courses on international law, international organizations and international human rights law

Educational background

PhD candidate on international human rights law. Faculty of Law, University of Tirana

Master Degree on Democracy and Human Rights-Diploma issued by the University of Bologna (Italy) and Sarajevo (BH)

Diploma of Lawyer, Faculty of Law, University of Tirana

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Negotiator of the MFA for bilateral and multilateral agreements

Expert in the working groups for drafting different laws in the Republic of Albania

Representative of the MFA before Constitutional Court for the compatibility of the internal laws with international human rights conventions

Participation and contribution to the civil society activities with the aim of improving legal framework regarding human rights in compliance with international standards

Participation and contribution to the civil society activities that raises the awareness and educate the public opinion on human rights, their protection and procedures which should be followed in cases these rights are violated

List of most recent publications in the field

"Social Education 9", Book Edition for the State middle school curriculum. Co-author, Arberia 07 Edition, 2007, Tirana

"International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, the most recent instrument for the protection of human rights"

Proceeding Book of the National Scientific Conference "Protective mechanism of individual rights for the due process of law", 27 February 2011, Tirana

"Measures that should be taken by the Republic of Albania to implement the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance". Scientific Magazine "Legal Life", School of Magistrates, No, 1 March 2011 (in publication) Tirana

Leo José Rodrigo Valladares Lanza (Honduras)

[Original: Spanish]

Date and place of birth: 28 May 1943, Comayagua, Honduras**Working languages:** Spanish and English**Current positions**

Executive Director of the Association for Participatory Citizenship (ACI-PARTICIPA) and president of the board of directors of the Centre for Human Development

Main professional activities

Adviser at the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights (drafting of a law for the protection of human rights defenders, journalists and justice officials), 2013

Ad Hoc Judge at the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (*Kawas v. Honduras*)

Focal point for Transparency International, 2002–2008

Adviser to the Constituent National Assembly (drafting of the Constitution of Honduras)

Adviser at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1983–1992

Member of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, 1988–1995 (president, 1990)

National Commission for Human Rights (Ombudsman), 1992–2002

Professor at the National Autonomous University of Honduras, teaching philosophy of law, constitutional law, general theory of the state, judicial logic, judicial ethics, human rights

Educational background*Licenciado* in legal and social sciences, National Autonomous University of Honduras, 1967; lawyer and notary – Supreme Court, 1969, Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Doctorate in law, Complutense University of Madrid, 1972

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Founder and president of the Association for Participatory Citizenship, 2003

Founder of the Centre for the Investigation and Promotion of Human Rights

Member of the group of human rights experts for the European Union Multiannual Programme for the Promotion of Human Rights in Central America, 1992–1999

Founder and president of the Central American Council of Human Rights Ombudsmen

Resident representative of the Centre for Electoral Promotion and Assistance (CAPEL) and election observer in El Salvador, Panama, Paraguay and Chile

Founder and president of the Ibero-American Federation of Ombudsmen

President of the Latin American and Caribbean chapter of the International Ombudsman Institute

Establishment of the Centre for Research and Investigation of the Institute on Access to Public Information

Most recent publications in the field

“Establecimiento, jurisdicción y competencia de los juzgados de letras en Honduras” (The establishment, jurisdiction and competence of courts of general jurisdiction in Honduras)

"Tres actitudes filosóficas del hombre frente al mundo" (Three human philosophical approaches to the world)

"Las ideas jurídicas de Castán" (The judicial thinking of Castán) (published in Madrid, Spain)

"Los hechos hablan por sí mismos" (The facts speak for themselves), report on disappeared persons in Honduras, 1993

"Honduras: en camino hacia la transparencia y el acceso a la información" (Honduras: the road to transparency and access to information), 2008

Fortané Gaétan Zongo (Burkina Faso)

[Original: French]

Date and place of birth: 17 May 1974, Koudougou, Burkina Faso**Working languages:** French and English**Profession:** Judge**Educational background***Diplôme de magistrat*, October 2002, National Civil Service and Judiciary Training School, specializing in the judiciary, Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso)*Diplôme inter-universitaire de troisième cycle*, with a specialization in fundamental rights, October 2001, University of Nantes (France) (Master 2 degree in international and European law obtained in June 2008)*Maîtrise* in law, June 1999, Faculty of Law and Political Science of the University of Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso)*Licence* in law, June 1997, Faculty of Law and Political Science of the University of Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso)**Professional experience**

Court of Appeal of Ouagadougou, since October 2011

Minister for the Promotion of Human Rights, November 2006–September 2011

Director General for the Protection and Defence of Human Rights, July 2008–October 2011

Director for the Protection and Defence of Human Rights, December 2006–July 2008

President, Bobo Dioulasso Juvenile Court, October 2004–November 2006

Presiding Judge, District Court of Ouagadougou, October 2002–October 2004

Lawyer at the Antoinette Ouedraogo law firm, June 1999–February 2001

Other activities

February 2011–December 2014: Member of the United Nations Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

February 2008–December 2014: Member of the governing board of the Gampèla Centre for Basic and Vocational Education

Since 2008: Organizer of the international human rights law course at the National Civil Service and Judiciary Training School